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MARRIAGE.

On 29th April, at the Episcopal Chapel, Macao, by his Lordship the Right Reverend Bishop Dr. Joao Paulino d'Alvezelo Castro, a young Frenchman, Pierre Lamy, of Koto, to Ida Maria, youngest daughter of Mr. C. J. GONCALVES, of Hongkong. Lisbon, China and Japan papers please copy.

DEATH.

At No. 4, Elliot Crescent, after a brief illness, Kate JAMES, MARGARET, infant daughter of George Phillip and MARY LAMBERT. [1120]

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DESVREUX ROAD, C.I.  
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HONGKONG, MAY 2ND, 1905.

Mr. EDWARD S. LITTLE, writing to our Shanghai contemporary, says: "I make here formal the charge against the Chinese Government that it has not only failed to carry out fully any single important clause of the Mackay Treaty, but that China is actively opposing in essential particulars both its spirit and letter." Similar statements in the London *Times* led to interpolations in Parliament, when EARL PERCY stated, according to REUTER, that the Government were not in receipt of information to support such statements. This unfortunate reply has been seized upon as an admission of ignorance. Whether the Government is ignorant, or indifferent, or both—and plenty of China-landers these things do steadfastly assert—Mr. E. S. LITTLE says sufficient to show that the Government has no business to be ignorant.

No one will mention any clause of the famous treaty of 1902-3 that is now actually in full operation. Mr. LITTLE says he will be happy to acknowledge his error. It is scarcely necessary to run through the sixteen clauses and as many sub-sections of the supplementary commercial treaty before replying to such a suggestion. He would be a bold man who would claim that any foreign agreement with China is or ever has been "in full operation." The first

article, relating to the obtaining of Draw-back Certificates from the Imperial Customs, is the one most nearly approaching the standard of satisfaction. China has certainly taken no steps to "provide a uniform national coinage," and latest reports are that the authorities are strangely reluctant even to think about the promise contained in Article Two. If they are doing anything at all, it must be in deliberate and violent opposition to their pledge, for "coins of all sorts and conditions from some sixty mints are being constantly multiplied and debased, and to such an extent that a financial crisis is one of the probabilities of the future. Instead of one national coinage there are now dozens. The Government is robbing the people and debasing its coinage." With regard to China's solemn engagements in respect of mining rights and regulations, we have written too recently on the subject to warrant repetition; but we may note that Mr. LITTLE is at one with us in declaring that China has taken every step possible to make mining by foreigners impossible. He says: "I have myself seen an official proclamation giving Chinese company permission to mine, but containing a clause that the permit would be forfeited if any foreigners were admitted to the company and for bidding the employment of foreign capital even in the nature of a loan." Regulations were published, and a translation of them was specially made for the "Directory and Chronicle"; but it is unnecessary to say that those regulations were very far from being of a sort "to attract foreign as well as Chinese capital" [see Article Nine]. The pity of it is that should acceptably revised regulations ever be forthcoming, they may be too late. The concluding words of the Article clearly show that the new rules will not be retrospective, and in the meantime, sweeping concessions have been granted right and left by the provincial authorities. Mr. LITTLE's view is that comparison of promise and performance in this matter reveals an insult. "China has gone out of her way to insult the Treaty Powers." By far the greater portion of the treaty is devoted to taxation; and here we cannot do better than to quote Mr. E. S. LITTLE once more. He says:

"All kinds of improvements were promised. Sir James Mackay was confident the Chinese Government meant to institute reforms. I venture to affirm that Chinese taxation is now worse than it has ever been. Since the Mackay Treaty has been signed things have gone from bad to worse, taxation has increased and foreign goods are not respected as they formerly were. Transit passes are often utterly ignored and goods taxed by liaison officials quite regardless of the extra payment of the half duty. Employees of British firms are arrested, imprisoned, and fined and it is difficult or impossible to obtain British Consular archives, if opened to the public, would disclose many instances in proof of this assertion. Let the Government be the Tenth in Treaty effective and we shall be much better off than now."

All these things are not easily concealed, and we cannot believe the British Cabinet, he so ignorant as, say, EARL PERCY. We cannot think that the word "indifferent" is apt, either; and must fall back upon some theory that China is a political bogie at Downing Street; and that in order to enjoy the peace and quiet of a laissez aller or maske policy, they are willing to sacrifice their few business compatriots who have been waving the Union Jack for them in these parts.

An advertisement in this issue announces the establishment of Mr. A. S. Gomes, junior, late of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, as a General Broker at Hongkong.

The second round of the Hongkong Cricket Club's tennis tournament was not finished yesterday. The time limit is being extended.

Before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday a coolie employed at the Naval Yard Extension was fined \$300 for being in possession of illicit opium. Another from Capesun, who had a previous conviction, was fined \$250 for a similar offence.

A Russian sailor was fined \$5 by Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Police Court yesterday for taking intoxicants into the Sailors' Home. This is the first conviction of the kind under the new regulations of the Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance.

It is reported that the Chinese authorities at Shanghai discovered that a local native merchant was contracting for a supply of 300-400 tons of coal for the *Akold*. As this would constitute a breach of neutrality, the Taotai was taking decisive steps in the matter.

Wong Lit Ng called at his friend, Chan Yuen's family house in Li Yuen Street last year, and obtained from a servant a number of books and jewellery valued at \$160, which he said he was removing to the office by order of Chan Yuen. He pawned the goods, and was lost sight of by the complainant until Sunday last, when he was given in charge. He appeared before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 30th April, 1905, were 239 non-Chinese, and 72 Chinese to the former, and 99 non-Chinese, and 1,613 Chinese to the latter institution.

A considerable number of Red Cross Russian nurses, captured by the Japanese, arrived at the Hongkong Hotel yesterday, and are leaving for Europe by the French mail.

Yesterday afternoon while a gang of coolies were removing a quantity of coal from the side of a wall of a godown at No. 36 Praya East, the wall collapsed. Several coolies received minor hurts, and four who were severely bruised were taken to the Government Civil Hospital. The Police saw all the debris turned over, and ascertained that there were no casualties.

Fung Chow, a foreman employed at the Tytan water-works, was arrested on Sunday night at Yau Ma Tei, and charged before Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Police Court yesterday with returning from banishment. Formerly he was charged with a similar offence, and at the expiration of his twelve months' imprisonment was banished again. He was again sentenced to one year's imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

A numerously signed petition has been forwarded to President Roosevelt asking that the American Consul at Foochow, Dr. S. L. Gracey, be retained in his present position. In view of the service Dr. Gracey has already rendered and of the valuable experience he has acquired during his six or seven years' residence there, Foochow Americans desire that there shall be no change.

Lo Shing who has been doing a thriving business by pawning old clothing, was on Sunday night caught in the act of taking some wearing apparel which had been left on the roof of a house in Des Vaux Road to dry. Charged before Mr. Orme at the Police Court yesterday he was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour, six hours stocks, and to be recommended for banishment on the expiration of his sentence.

The week's plague return, having two additional fatalities, brings the number to thirty-one. Since the report was issued, four more deaths occurred. One European case of enteric fever came from Canton. Small-pox cases numbered eight (two fatal). The five European cases were imported, and one of the Chinese. The Indian case reported previously turned out to be only measles.

Deep sympathy will be very generally felt with Mr. Fung Wa Chun in the bereavement he has suffered by the death in England of his younger son, Mr. Fung Chi Wa, who went to England some months ago to receive an English education. He appears to have suffered much from lung trouble during the winter and was critically ill a couple of months ago. According to a telegram received by Mr. Fung Wa Chun death occurred on Sunday.

An Indian constable was sentenced by Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday to three weeks' hard labour for assaulting a coolie on Sunday morning at Wan Chai. The constable stated that he thought the man was a suspicious character, and hit him with his baton to drive him away. The blow, however, was a severe one and the coolie had to be admitted to hospital. The constable was further ordered to pay \$1 compensation, or spend a further seven days in prison.

Charles Smith, an unemployed sailor who has been staying at the Sailors' Home for some weeks past, was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Police Court yesterday with obtaining drinks by false pretences. Prisoner said to Inspector Collett—"If I could have got away with it, I would have got away with it. You know that. You are a man of the world." His Worship found the defendant guilty and sentenced him to one month's hard-labour.

A Chinaman from Australia was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Police Court yesterday with assaulting P. C. Wills at the Ko Shing theatre on Saturday night. The defendant was obstructing the view of a number of playgoers. On being told to sit down he informed the constable that he was a fighting man, and thereupon assaulted him. He was convicted, and fined \$25 or six weeks' hard labour. A Japanese, for assaulting a European in Queen's Road East, was fined \$25 and ordered to pay \$12 compensation.

On April 24th our Shanghai contemporary wrote: A very interesting ceremony, which has been postponed from last July in consequence of the illness of the Director General of Railway Administration (H.E. Shek Kung-pao), is now fixed for Tuesday morning next at a point near the Shanghai railway station. A "first sod" of the Shanghai-Nanking railway will then be ceremonially turned by his Excellency. The work on the railway has, of course, been in progress for some months, and the first section is already well advanced.

A correspondent of the *Spectator* gives the following rough translation of a song in vogue at the present time in the Russian streets:—

"The Mikado demanded of the Emperor (as terms of peace)'

Two Jews who had not been beaten, Two mafiks who were not starved, Two intendants who were not thieves, Two 'popes' who were not drunkards.

The Emperor replied: I have only Vladimir Romanov-sky, And Sergius Moscow-sky.

The Mikado said: I have no use for such ruffians.

## TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

## LINIEVITCH CLAIMS A VICTORY.

LONDON, 1st May.

General Linievitch reports that he defeated the Japanese in an important engagement on Saturday night, as a result of which his forces occupied Tunghusing.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## THE BRITISH NAVY.

LONDON, 29th April.

Mr. Arthur H. Lee, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, speaking at Gosport, said that the Admiralty will lay down in the autumn at Portsmouth, the first of a new type of battleship, the most powerful in the world, and to be built in the shortest time known. The type will embody considerable alterations in design; the result of lessons from the Russo-Japanese war. The reason for the recent hull in construction was to enable these lessons to be utilized.

## THE WAR.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

## TIMELY TOLERANCE.

LONDON, 1st May.

An Imperial Decree is reported to have been signed by Tsar Nicholas II, abolishing all religious disabilities in Russia.

The decree was promulgated yesterday. It is feared that the measure has come too late to benefit the Jewish population.

## SEISMIC SHOCKS IN SWITZERLAND.

LONDON, 1st May.

Earthquake shocks have been felt in Switzerland, for the first time in many years. Seismologists regard this as evidence of a widespread subterranean disturbance.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## THE PROSPECTS OF PEACE.

LONDON, 29th April.

News from Washington states that the British Ambassador sails for home tomorrow, and the German and French Ambassadors will follow; it is believed in diplomatic circles that they will unofficially communicate to King Edward, the Emperor of Germany and President Loubet, President Roosevelt's earnest desire to end the war as early as possible. It is believed that the impending naval engagement, whatever the result may be, will offer an opportunity for initiating peace negotiations.

["N. C. Daily News" Service.]

## RUSSIAN ACTIVITY IN COREA.

TOKYO, 21st April.

Russian activity has been remarkable lately south of the Tumen river. Eight thousand are reported in the region north of Syungchin province.

## THE JAPANESE RESERVE READY.

TOKYO, 21st April.

An imperial ordinance has been gazetted containing the regulations for summoning into service the National Army.

## THE PEACE-KEEPING ALLIANCE.

TOKYO, 24th April.

The *Kotchin* believes that the amicable settlement of the Camranh episode was due to some extent to the good offices of England. It emphasises the efficacy of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and says a renewal of the compact is sincerely to be hoped for in the interests of the maintenance of the world's peace.

## BALTIC FLEET NEWS.

## JAPANESE ALERT.

The s.s. *Beaufort* arrived from Moji yesterday with coal. When 230 miles from Moji on the 26th April at 1 p.m. she was signalled by a Japanese cruiser as to the departure port, destination and cargo. The *Ornate* was similarly questioned on the Corean coast.

## PROBABLY PREMATURE.

Prior to the departure of the French mail from Saigon on the 28th April there was a report that six ships of the third Baltic squadron had joined Admiral Rozhestvensky's off Saigon.

## "QUONG NAM" AT CAMRANH.

The French steamer *Quong Nam* reports that on the 24th April, owing to a breakdown of the condensing pump, she put into Camranh Bay, where she found a Russian hospital ship and six transports. By the 26th all the aforesaid vessels had left the Bay, and the *Quong Nam* had proceeded on her passage. When ten miles off the coast, abreast of Camranh, she sighted the Russian Fleet manouevring with transports. The Russians questioned the *Quong Nam* as to what she was doing in the Bay and whether she was bound.

## THE TYPHOON.

The Russian fleet is supposed to be steaming towards the Baboo Channel and, if this be so, should escape the typhoon reported to be travelling W.N.W. from Luzon.

## THE BRITISH FLEET.

The s.s. *Kalyan* sighted the British fleet yesterday morning manouevring in the vicinity of Mies Bay.

## NEWS FROM SAIGON.

A correspondent writing to us from Saigon by mail states that bearing the s.s. *Orrel*, which put in to replenish her bunkers and stores, none of the Russian fleet called at Saigon. There certainly was a great deal of excitement, our correspondent adds, over the news that the Fleet was expected at Cape St. James and the eventual military preparations made to enforce the port's neutrality; but it all amounted to watching events which did not develop.

## VICEROY SHUM ILL.

It is reported that Viceroy Shum seeing that his order has been restored in the province of Kwangsi has sent a memorial to the Thoro asking to be allowed to resign his viceroyship under the plea of illness.

## RAD SILK OUTLOOK.

On account of the continued rain the silk crop has been reported unfavourably. Mulberry leaves which have been greatly damaged by the rain are sold at a price from two dollars to two dollars and fifty cents a catty; and the price of silk-worm eggs is exceedingly high. On account of the heavy outlay many people have not yet commenced to rear silk worms.

## AN AFFLICTED EXILE.

Pui-king-fuk, the late Nam-hoi magistrate and well-known szequier, who has been banished at the request of the viceroy to Chinese Eastern Turkistan, will proceed thither in a few days. Pui has recently received a large sum of money presented by his friends on account of his banishment. His old servants Lui Kam Shan and Li Tsz Ming, who also made a heavy extort of money during the term of Pui's office have sent him from Shanghai and Ku Ying eight thousand and three thousand dollars respectively.

## SHOOTING H.K.V.A.

The fifth annual rifle competition for Sir Harry Blake's Challenge Shield was held on Saturday last at the Tai Hong Range. Four teams competed and the result was a win (for the fourth consecutive time) for the team entered by the left half of No. 1 Company.

The following are the individual scores made by the members of the winning team:

NAMES	200	500

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## PUBLIC SPIRITED GENEROSITY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 1st May.

Sir.—At the meeting of the Sanitary Board on the 18th April, a discussion arose in connection with the question of the dumping of dead bodies in the streets and harbour by the poorer class Chinese in the Colony. Various reasons were assigned for this objectionable practice. With a view to ascertain the real reason, and of providing a remedy, I have advertised freely in all the Chinese newspapers circulating in the Colony, the offer to provide free burials for the poor and friendless.

I beg to enclose a copy of a translation in English of the notice, which may not be without interest to you—Yours faithfully

HO KOM TONG.

The enclosure referred to reads:—"All Chinese householders are invited in the case of a death occurring in their house, and the deceased happening to be friendless and with out effects to meet the burial expenses, to keep the body in the house and not dump it in the street. Those who are too poor to defray the burial expenses are requested to communicate with Mr. Ho Kom Tong who will be glad to make all the arrangements for the burial and to defray the necessary expenses himself."

## SHIPPING ITEMS.

## MACAO TRADE.

During the summer months the s.s. *Wing Choi*, Commander Austin, R.N.R., will vary her Macao departure hour to fall in with the tides, there being at times insufficient water to cross the bar.

## A SANATORIUM SHIP.

The Hamburg-American line announce that the *First Bismarck*, of 8,600 tons, is equipped as a floating sanatorium, and will be dispatched on health cruises. The routes of travel will be selected so that patients will have constant change of scene, and be as comfortably cared for as at a health resort. The first cruise will start from Hamburg on July 8th and will last twenty-six days, covering 3,773 nautical miles.

## THE VLADIVOSTOK BLOCKADE.

The difficulty experienced in trying to run the blockade into Vladivostok is indicated by the report just made to the Western Fuel Company of Fries by Chief Officer Webb of the steamer *Wyefield*, which was captured by the Japanese a few weeks ago. The *Wyefield* left Puget sound and from the first was handled in a manner calculated to outwit the Japanese supposed to be on the lookout for her. Amphitrite straits were approached but the vessel was unable to enter on account of snow and hail storms, and so turned to the southward. Two days later her decks were a mass of ice, and two plates were damaged to such an extent that the vessel began to leak. Then the vessel was put into Okhotsk sea, where the sea was comparatively calm. While here it was discovered that the steamer's stem was sprung. But in the anxiety to reach Vladivostok the *Wyefield* was again put to sea, bound for Tsugaru straits. Lying off shore until dusk the steamer began an approach to the straits, but was soon fired upon by the Japanese cruiser *Musashi*, and soon afterward other Japanese war ships put in an appearance. A prize crew was placed on board, and the *Wyefield* was taken to Yokosuka. Five days after the vessel was condemned.—See *Francisco Chronicle*.

## JAPANESE SEAMEN &amp; AMERICANS.

Mercantile marine sailors in America, like their English cousins, are very bitter against Asiatic competitors, who keep down the wages and break up trade monopolies. The following appears in the *Hawaiian Gazette* of the 28th March:—

Captain Aas of the barkentine *Amerzon*, now en route from Lahaina to Portland, may get into a peck of trouble on arrival, if the U.S. Shipping Commissioner carries out his threat to make things interesting for the skipper. It appears that while the vessel was at Lahaina the captain fired seven of his men, paying their wages. In other words, Captain Aas is said to have violated the United States shipping laws.

Captain Aas wrote to Honolulu to have a new crew sent over to him. Seven union men were signed by Shipping Commissioner Watkins at \$35 per month, the prevailing rate. On arrival the men were put to work. One of the former sailors who had been retained asked for his wages, \$17.50, he having signed in Australia. The Captain refused and sent the man off his ship. The new men made up a purse for the sailor. This left the crew shorthanded and the new men kicked against going to sea lacking a hand. The captain is said to have told them to went their way to a warm place, and fired them all ashore. That night he took on nine Japanese and sailed. The seaman had not been paid, nor had they signed off the books, and no report was made to the Shipping Commissioner, and so things are likely to be warm for Captain Aas when he strikes the Sound.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Shanghai at 8.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 29th inst., and left again at 5 a.m. on Sunday for Hongkong, and is due here to stay at 9 a.m.

The P. & O. str. *Melba* left Singapore for this port on the 29th ult. at 1 p.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 4th inst. about 6 a.m.

The L.G.M. str. *Bayern*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 11th April, left Colombo on Saturday, 8 a.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 16th inst.

The I.G.M. str. *Room*, which left here on the 26th ult., p.m., arrived at Shanghai on Sunday at 11 p.m. (detained by fog).

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, which left here on Wednesday at noon, arrived at Singapore on Sunday at 2 p.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Adriatica* left Portland (Or.) on the 20th ult. and is due here on the 24th inst. The U.S.S. & C.M. str. *Kinnek* left Singapore on the 29th ult. at daylight, and may be expected here on the 4th inst.

The str. *Rubi* left Manila on Sunday, the 30th ult., and is due here to-day at noon.

## THE MERCANTILE BANK OF CHINA, LTD.

The twelfth annual report of the Mercantile Bank of China, Limited, the shareholders of which met on April 12th, was as follows:—

The Directors beg to submit to the shareholders of the Bank the general balance sheet and statement of profit and loss account for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The net profits for the year, after providing for bad and doubtful debts, and including £14,551. 18s. 6d. brought forward from last account, amount to £75,227. 1s. 0d. Of this "A" and "B" shares for the half-year ending 30th June at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, net income tax.

The Directors have added £30,000 to the reserve fund, raising the latter to £111,000 and they have set aside £2,000 towards the formation of an officers' pension fund. They now recommend a further dividend on the "A" and "B" shares at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, free of income tax, for the second half of the year, leaving a balance of £15,102. 1s. 0d. to be carried forward.

Mr. James Campbell, the Chief Manager, has been appointed to a seat on the Board. The following directors retire by rotation, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election:—Sir Alexander Wilson and R. W. Chumney, Esq.

It will be necessary to appoint auditors: Messrs. Copper Brothers & Co., and Messrs. W. A. Browne & Co., the retiring auditors, offer themselves for re-election.

By order of the Board,

JAMES CAMPBELL,  
Chief Manager.

The accounts are as follows:

BALANCE SHEET.  
31st December, 1904.  
Dr.

To capital authorized:—

20,000 "A" shares of £25 each = 250,000

30,000 "B" shares of £25 each = 750,000

£1,500,000.

Capital issued:—

15,000 "A" shares £187,500 0 0

30,000 "B" shares £75,000 0 0

£22,100 paid £562,500 0 0

To reserved fund £10,000 0 0

To current accounts and fixed deposit accounts:—

Due in London—

Bankers and cash and security per cent. £ 65,780 8 10

Drafts on head office and branches £27,900 3 7

Drafts on continental bankers and other agents £66 0 8

£91,261 13 1

To loans payable against security per cent. £69,589 11 11

To acceptances on account of customers per cent. 111,496 5 5

To sundry accounts, including rebates and provision for bad and doubtful debts £29,670 16 0

To profit and loss account £2,164 11 5

£4,335,010 5 5

Contingent liability on bills receivable re-discounted £2,681,180 13s. 4d. due at 23rd March, 1905.

£1,772,122 26. 1d. have been paid.

£1,000,000 remaining liability in respect of Nov. 1st outstanding amount to £7,261 3s. 2d. which are not expected to become payable and are not included in the above.

Forward exchange contracts outstanding for purchase of sale of bills and telegraphic transfers, £22,703,069 9s. 3d.

Cr.

By cash in hand and at bankers £123,820 4 1

By bank at call £10,000 0 0

By bills receivable £20,932 13 11

By Government and other stocks:—

Conteale and securities guaranteed by the British Government £111,134 0 0

Indian Government £22,142 16 0

Irish Government £2,252 10 0

Debentures £2,252 10 0

£430,539 6 0

By bills receivable and advances £1,769,516 3 7

By bills receivable and advances £70,798 15 0

By bills receivable and advances £1,251,833 3 7

By foreign banking premises £3,417 14 5

By liabilities of customers for acceptance per cent. £11,000 5 5

By sundry accounts, including amounts due by agents £4,316 14 8

£1,380,010 6 5

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the year ending 31st December, 1904.

To expenses of management at head office, branches and agencies £49,952 17 2

To ad interim dividend for half-year ending 30th June, 1904, on 15,000 "A" shares and 30,000 "B" shares at 5 per cent. per annum £13,002 10 0

To amount transferred to reserve fund £3,000 0 0

To amount transferred to officers' pension fund £2,000 0 0

By balance £29,042 11 0

£135,179 18 2

By balance from 31st December, 1903 £37,980 8 6

Less dividends paid £1,000 0 0

Profit for year ending 31st December, 1904, on 15,000 "A" shares at 5 per cent. per annum £4,687 10 0

For the year ending 31st December, 1904, on 30,000 "B" shares at 5 per cent. per annum £18,750 0 0

£23,437 10 0

£11,551 18 6

By gross profit for the year ending 31st December, 1904, after providing for bad and doubtful debts £120,671 10 8

£135,179 18 2

THE LATE RUSSIAN MINISTER AT PEKING.

With regard to the death of M. Paul Lescar, the Russian Minister at Peking, the N.C. Daily News remarks: A serious invalid for years, it seemed that only his devotion to duty kept him alive, and he was young as diplomats go, being only in his 54th year. An engineer by profession, whose work had lain mainly in Central Asia, he came into prominence first at the time of the Peking affairs, his knowledge of the locality making him a most valuable assistant to the Russian Ambassador in London. He was appointed Councillor of the Embassy, and was at times Charge d'Affaires, his intellect and personal manners making him very popular in London. He succeeded M. de Goria at Peking and served though he was in every art of Russian diplomacy, he has had a hard task to uphold his country's interests in all the difficulties caused by the war with which he had no sympathy; and he goes to his rest with nothing but admiration for his dauntless energy and unfailing courtesy.

## THE HEALTH OF CANTON.

A report by Dr. E. C. Davenport covering the health of Canton for the fifteen months ended 31st March, 1904, is published by the Statistical Department of the I. M. C.

The general health of the foreign community has not been altogether good, owing to an increase in the number of cases of typhoid fever, dysentery, and diphtheria.

On the foreign Settlement of Shamian, the 15 months there have been eight births and three deaths. Three deaths also occurred in Hongkong hospitals among patients removed from Canton to Hongkong.

Of these six deaths, two were caused by typhoid fever, and one by plague.

A few cases of plague occurred among the natives during January and February 1903, but the disease did not appear to spread widely till the following March; it then continued till July, when nothing more was heard of it. Four cases came under my notice, two Chinese and two Japanese, all of which were fatal. One French gentleman resident in Canton contracted the disease in the port and died subsequently in Hongkong.

At the end of this month (March, 1904) I find an inquiry that there is little or no plague present in this port. The Chinese say that there were comparatively few deaths last year from plague; but an accurate, or even approximate, idea of the number of deaths is impossible in Canton.

Little or no cholera was heard of in the port during the past year. This fact is worthy of note, as the death rate from this disease was very high the previous year, both among natives and foreigners.

Two serious cases of plumbine poisoning occurred on steamers in the port; one patient was a Chinese and the other a Customs employee, who had partaken of meat pies. Both patients recovered.

Two cases of small-pox among foreigners occurred in Canton; both these arrived in the port already infected. The first case, a Customs employee, came from Kunchik, and was isolated in Canton. Patient had been vaccinated once in infancy; had a mild attack of the disease in variety and made an uninterrupted recovery.

The second patient was apparently infected in Shanghai or some other northern port. He was removed on the steamer of which he was an officer to Hongkong, where preparations were made for reception and isolation of patient, re-vaccination of all the crew, and disinfection of steamer. Patient had a severe attack of the disease, but ultimately recovered.

In the 15 months 12 cases of enteric fever among foreigners have come under my notice, and all, with the exception of three, occurred on Shamian. Two of these proved fatal. The first fatal case occurred on 27th February 1903, and was complicated with malaria. The second case, that of a German living on Shamian, and who also had malaria, was removed to Hongkong on 27th February, 1904, and died on the 22nd of the following month.

Of the 10 cases, all were of a mild type, except two, namely, the first being a lady who had lately arrived in the East from England, and was removed early in the disease to the Peak Hospital in Hongkong, and the second patient being a Customs employee, who was also removed to the Government Civil Hospital in Hongkong, where he ultimately recovered, after a relapse.

At the time of writing a Customs practitioner is suffering from typhoid fever at the Government Civil Hospital, where he was sent as soon as diagnosis was confirmed, as the quarters for such cases and the facilities for obtaining the needed and continual attention are inadequate in his port.

There has been a very noticeable increase in the number of cases of

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In long experimenting with glass solutions, an English biologist has noticed that pretreatment does not occur in strong red or blue light, it is only simulated in clear yellow, but really takes place in dirty yellow light or in darkness. He has also seen that workers behind dirty yellow screens are subject to skin eruptions. This has suggested to him the novel idea of colour treatment of disease, a dirty yellow of the skin being assumed to indicate a degeneration of the yellow fluids of the body—the bile, etc., and to require a yellow restorative, like dandelion, lemon or sulphur, while lack of health reduces shows the need of a red tonic and massage with a red stone. Blue is needed for "black blood," congestion, etc., and to destroy mould fungi as.

Child nerves are demanding relief from strenuous city life. Dr. C. C. Krauskopf's investigations have shown that in every three of the school children of New York City is a victim of some form of nervous disorder, the manifestations being uncontrollable nervous twitches, sluggishness and mental depression, with tendencies toward melancholia. The causes assigned are various. They include the incessant activity, impure atmosphere, life in flats, continual noise day and night, lack of proper nutrition, late hours, and weariness to car lines.

The new type of telegraph of Isaac and Member, French engineers, includes a desk transmitter, on which the writing is done with an ordinary pencil, and an apparatus at the other end reproducing the writing on a roll of paper. Designs, music and signatures, as well as messages, are prepared in Paris and are accurately reproduced in Rouen, the results being much superior to those attained from time to time during many years of experiment.

Carbon is already known in the forms of diamond, graphite, and lampblack or charcoal. The new variety of Constant and Henri Pelabon, French chemists, is a woolly substance with minute gray and black threads, and is produced in the intensely hot portion of an open furnace during the formation of coke from material very rich in tar. The flammes are usually from .003 to .008 of an inch in length and .0001 to .005 in thickness, the black being the finest. The gray threads seem to be cylindrical and formed of a series of superimposed cones covered with a glaze; while the black are dull, with a rough surface sometimes appearing like a succession of very thin rings. The carbon wool does not begin to burn, even in a current of oxygen, below a temperature of about 555 deg. C.

The so-called auto-paste photo-papier paper of a London company is prepared by coating with a permanent pigment and then rendering sensitive by immersing in a five per cent solution of bichromate of potash. The prepared paper is exposed under a negative in the usual way. An advantage is the great simplicity of development, which consists in immersion in cold water followed by dipping for two or three minutes in water at 120 deg. to 150 deg. F., and then gently using a camel's-hair brush to "glitter" it as desired.

The ghostly ring that appears to surround the earth, becoming visible at certain seasons as a cone of light in the wet after sunrise or in the east before sunrise, is thought by A. Hausek, a French astronomer, to be an electrical phenomenon connected with the corona seen about the sun during eclipses. Observed from Mont Blanc on the 21st and 22nd of last September, this zodiacal light had the form of a spherical triangle with its apex near the pole, and resembling in some respects the elongation of a coronal streamer.

A glass snake reported by an English naturalist at a small town in June 1904. After it was refused all food, but appeared in good health and often very lively until about a week before its death on February 1nd.

The fear of death, we are assured, is waning. Those who have witnessed the "death-agony" in many and varied forms tell us that it is not so terrible after all, and even that dying is not so painful. C. W. Suleby, an English writer, points out that in it is not very exceptional cases, such as accident, the immediate cause of death is the poisoning of the nervous centres by carbonic acid. This gas accumulates in the blood through failure of arrangement for its removal, and it has its usual anaesthetic effect. Normal death is a painless occurrence, usually preceded by gradual loss of consciousness. The accumulation of it's gas often induces muscular contractions of the arms which are preceded by loss of consciousness, but which may have suggested that the patient was in agony. The man is not merely dying, it is not yet dead. There are exceptions in the agony of death by strychnine poisoning, in which the mind is clear to the last, but even in accidents, from bullet or bomb, numerous experiments and observations on thousands of cases have conclusively proven that consciousness must have been lost before pain could have been felt.

The use of local anaesthetics from the injection of local water was begun by Dr. S. G. Grant, an American physician, in 1901, and has proven so satisfactory in several hundred operations, especially about the lower intestines, that other anaesthetics have been practically discarded except in the most serious cases. No unfavorable consequences have been observed. The usual danger from heat, bleeding and kidney complications is avoided, with the saving of time and money.

FOR EUROPE and AMERICA, INDIA, AUSTRALIA, &c., and for PRIVATE RESIDENTS AT THE OUTPORTS. A COMPREHENSIVE and COMPLETE RECORD OF THE NEWS OF THE FAR EAST is given in the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, with which is incorporated "THE CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT," Subscription, paid in advance, \$12 per annum Postage to any part of the World 32.

THE ALPHABETICAL LIST OF RESIDENTS contains the names of over 20,000 FOREIGNERS, carefully arranged, with the initials as well as the surnames in strictly alphabetical order, that any name can be found instantly.

THE PROTESTANT MISSIONARIES IN CHINA, JAPAN AND COREA are arranged in a special separate list.

THE MAPS AND PLANS have been engraved by one of the most eminent Firms in Great Britain and are corrected and brought up to date. They consist this year of fourteen of the following:

COLORED PLATE OF FLAG OF FOREIGN HONG-KONG MAP OF THE FAR EAST PLAN OF YOKOHAMA PLAN OF KOBE and HYOGO PLAN OF FOREIGN SETTLEMENTS, TIENSIN PLAN of SINGTAO (KIAOCHAU) PLAN of FOREIGN CONCESSION, SHANGHAI PLAN of HONGKONG (SHANGHAI) with Inset showing the EXTENDED SETTLEMENT LARGE PLAN of the CITY of VICTORIA PLAN of PEAK DISTRICT, VICTORIA PLAN of KOWLOON PLAN of MANILA PLAN of SAIGON PLAN of PENANG PLAN of BATAVIA

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## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

ARDOVA, British str., 2,270, W. L. Smith, 30th April.—Kutchipoota 24th April, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

ARMAND BEHIC, French str., 3,564, Gironaut, 1st May.—Yokohama 22nd April, General Messageries Maritimes.

B. A. BEYAN, Norwegian str., 541, A. Ander-son, 1st May.—Suliong 26th April, Coal.—Flout—Sandor, Wilder & Co.

BENY-NE, British str., 3,939, R. Knoble, 30th April.—Saji 1st April, Coal.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

ERNEST SIMONE, French str., 2,891, N. R. Bouillon, 1st May.—Mawell 2nd April, Mail and General Messageries Maritimes.

FEL, Norwegian str., 3,601, N. Anderson, 1st May.—Kutupong 28th April and 11th May.—Sandor, Wilder & Co.

HELENE, German str., 771, J. Jensen, 30th April.—Tunnoe 28th April, Sugar and General—Jensen & Co.

KALGAN, British str., 1,433, Speed, 1st May.—Swatow 30th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

KANGA, British str., 1,984, Henderson, 1st May.—Kohsiaung 25th April, General—Order.

LIA, Swedish str., 1,577, Hornsund, 3rd April.—Kobe 23rd April, General—Chinese.

LOONG-CHUNG, British str., 1,032, G. S. Weigall, 1st May.—Mangla 28th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PEKIN, British str., 2,522, W. W. Cook, R.N.L., 1st May.—Romney 14th April, Cotton and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

PRINZ WALDEMAR, German str., 3,227, C. Wollmers, 1st May.—Kobe 25th April, General—Mutter & Co.

PROGRESS, German str., 685, F. Bremer, 1st May.—Swatow 30th April, Ballast—Sassoon & Co.

QUANG NAM, French str., 1,690, Bonisson 29th April.—Saigon 23rd April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

SPENDER, German cruiser, 1,190, Ote, 30th April.—Tsinan 24th April.

SUNGKAI, British str., 1,776, F. T. Wheeler, 1st May.—Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 15th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TEAVANGOR, British ship, 2,270, Hargreaves 30th April.—Cardiff 5th Sept., General—Government.

VOLETE, British str., 2,539, E. Holiday, 1st May.—Palembang 24th April, Petroleum—Arnold, Kaibing & Co.

CLEARANCE.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, 1st May.

Bogstad, Norwegian str., for Canton.

Bonaparte, British str., for Singapore.

Horst, German str., for Haiphong.

Nunendo, German str., for Moji.

Quingtang, French str., for Shanghai.

Prins Balthazar, German str., for Moll or no. Longmoor, German str., for Tamsui.

DEPARTURES.

30th April.

S. P. HITCHCOCK, American ship, for Manila, 1st May.

ANDROMEDA, British cruiser, for Miss Bay, Chowtow, German str., for Swatow.

KANGA, British str., for Kure.

NORMAN ILLER, Norwegian str., for Java.

STETTIN, British str., for Shanghai.

TUMAH, Dutch str., for Shanghai.

TYDEUS, British str., for London.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Pekin* reports: Light winds and fair weather.

The British str. *Kalgan* reports: British fleet (6 vessels) seen off Miss Bay.

The British str. *Volante* reports: Fine weather throughout with light N.E. wind.

The British str. *Singa* reports: From Singapore to lat. 17° N., light N.E. winds and smooth sea, and from thence to port moderate northerly winds and heavy easterly swell.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN, IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

JAPAN—CHINA—AUSTRALIA LINE VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, HERBERTSHEOE, MATUAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

TO-DAY, the 2nd May, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ WALDEMAR," Captain Wollmers, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, For Further Particulars, apply to MELCHEKS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1905. [35]

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT), Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

Taking Cargo at through routes to the BRAZILS, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship

"TRIESTE," Captain Misti, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 2nd May, P.M.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Princes' Buildings.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [35]

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).

THE Steamship

"KENNEBEC," will be despatched about the 20th June.

For Freight and further information, apply to STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK,

Oriental Freight Department, 4, Des Voeux Road, Central.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1905. [115]

## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the unloading of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island, Vessels unloading nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.

2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

SECTIONS.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.

4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

## FOR KORE AND YOKOHAMA.

## THE British Steamship

## "ORMIDALE."

3,560 Tons Gross, Captain J. Hamilton, will be despatched for the above ports on TOMORROW, the 3rd May, at DAYLIGHT. For Freight, apply to

BRADLEY & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1905. [107]

## FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

## THE Steamship

## "ARAKTOON APCAR."

Captain E. Fey, will be despatched for the above ports TOMORROW, the 3rd inst., at 3 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1905. [110]

## NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florio and Rubattino United Companies).

## STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN Ports up to CALLAO.

(Taking Cargo at through routes to PERSIAN GULF and BAGHDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.)

## THE Steamship

## "ISCHIA."

Captain Magazzini, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th inst., at NOON.

At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1905. [14]

## THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

## STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.

PLYMOUTH AND LONDON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

## THE Steamship

## "CORONADEL."

Captain G. M. Montford, R.N.R. carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 6th May, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "Victoria," 6,322 tons, from COLOMBO. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Mussels and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Arabie," due in London on the 18th June, 1905.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to

L. S. LEWIS, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1905. [14]

## EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE (Calling at POPE BAY AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &amp;c., &amp;c.)

## THE Steamship

## "EMPIRE."

Captain Helms, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 6th May, at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, &c., &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is fitted throughout with the Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamer of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1905. [93]

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

## S.S. "WING CHAI"

Captain T. Austin, R.N.R.

THE Steamer departs from Hongkong, on Week Days at 7.30 A.M., and on Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.; Departs from Macao on Week Days about 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.

FARES—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), Single \$3, Return Ticket \$5. 2nd Class \$1, 3rd Class 50 cents.

Every Sunday will be on Excursion, at the following rates:

1st and 2nd Class Single Ticket \$1, Return \$2. 3rd Class, Single 50 cents, Return 50 cents. Steerage 10 cents.

Meals can be had on board.

Tiffin and Dinner can be supplied either on board, or at the Macao Hotel, for returning Passengers only, at an extra charge of \$2.

On Sundays, Passengers desiring to have a Private Cabin, which has accommodation for two or more Passengers, will be charged \$3 extra.

First Class Passengers who do not care to return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed to do so the following day (Monday) on payment of the Return Half Ticket.

Should the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given to Captain, and the Half-ticket will be available for the following day.

The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.

The Steamer's Wharf at Hongkong is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

MING ON & CO.

2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1904.

## VESSELS ADVERT

**OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.**  
AND  
**CHINA MUTUAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION CO., LTD.**  
JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.  
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,  
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA,  
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

## OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION"	On 6th May.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 6th May.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 10th May.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MINGCHOW"	On 18th May.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 22nd May.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 30th May.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PRIAM"	On 31st May.	

## HOMEBWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"JASON"	On 9th May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"LAERTES"	On 20th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DARDANUS"	On 23rd May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"CALCHAS"	On 6th June.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION"	On 26th June.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 20th June.

Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"NINGCHOW"	On 21st May.

For Freight, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1905.

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**CHINA NAVIGATION CO.  
LIMITED.**

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"KANSU"	On 2nd May, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 2nd May.
SHANGHAI	"KALGAN"	On 3rd May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"WOOSUNG"	On 3rd May.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 6th May.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS	"TSINAN"	On 13th May.

\* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1905.

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**CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S  
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.**

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA,  
AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND  
VICTORIA, B.C.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).  
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ..... WEDNESDAY, 10th May.  
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons ..... WEDNESDAY, 24th May.  
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons ..... WEDNESDAY, 31st May.  
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons ..... WEDNESDAY, 21st June.  
R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,423 Tons ..... WEDNESDAY, 5th July.  
Hongkong to London, 1st Class ..... via St. Lawrence 230, via New York 262.  
Intermediate on Steamers, 1st Class Rail ..... 240. " 242.  
and 1st Class Rail ..... 240. " 242.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPERESS" STEAMSHIP, passing through the famous INLAND SEA of JAPAN, usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry "Intermediate" passengers only at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Passengers Booked through all the principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to  
D. W. CRADDOCK, Acting General Agent.  
9, Princes Street.

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SOUTH AFRICAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

HONGKONG DIRECT, OR VIA CHEFOO OR CHIN-WAN-TAO, TO DURBAN, NATAL.

The following chartered steamers will run at intervals of about 3 weeks—

S.S. "LOTHIAN"	Captain J. C. Williamson.
S.S. "INDRAVELLI"	Captain S. Callington.
S.S. "COURTFIELD"	Captain J. W. Martin.
S.S. "CRANFITT"	Captain W. E. Steele.
S.S. "IRBAL"	Captain J. Robertson.
S.S. "ASCOLI"	Captain C. E. Cox.
S.S. "SIRH"	Captain J. Rowley.
S.S. "INKULA"	Captain Dean.
S.S. "KATHERINE PARK"	Captain Copp.

For Freight, apply to—

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1905.

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PORTLAND &amp; ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHANGHAI & INLAND  
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR PORTLAND, OREGON

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD &amp; NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL AT DAYLIGHT ON
"ARABIA"	4,483	Bahle	May 11th, 1905.
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schuldt	May 30th, 1905.
"NICOMEDIA"	4,470	Wagner	June 26th, 1905.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to  
ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1905.

**IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL  
LINE.**

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.  
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIK PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION  
STEAMERS.

SAILING DATES.

1905

WEDNESDAY 10th May

WEDNESDAY 24th May

WEDNESDAY 7th June

WEDNESDAY 21st June

WEDNESDAY 5th July

WEDNESDAY 19th July

WEDNESDAY 2nd August

WEDNESDAY 16th August

WEDNESDAY 30th August

WEDNESDAY 13th September

WEDNESDAY 27th September

WEDNESDAY 11th Oct.-ber

WEDNESDAY 25th October

WEDNESDAY 8th November

WEDNESDAY 22nd November

WEDNESDAY 6th December

WEDNESDAY 20th December

## SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

ANGULIN, German str., 1,672, Schaefer, 28th April.—Baikak 21st Apr., Borneo.—Butterfield &amp; Swire.

ABRAHAM AFGAR, British str., 2,931, E. Fey, 30th April.—Shanghai 27th April.—David Sisson &amp; Co.

B. BIRKINSON, Norwegian str., 700, C. Olsen, 15th April.—Famul, Amoy and Swatow 14th April, General.—Osaka Shosou Kaishi.

B. BOETSTAD, Norwegian steamer, 1,981, S. H. Gillekson, 29th April.—Wuhu and Chin-kiang 24th April, General.—Asgard, Thebes &amp; Co.

BOSCHKE, British str., 2,433, Wisnom, 30th April.—Moj 24th April C. S. Bradley &amp; Co.

CAPITOL, British str., 1,399, R. Benger, 24th April.—Barry 3rd March, Coal.—Order.

CHINA American str., 3,186, D. E. Price, 29th April.—San Francisco 23rd Mar., General.

—P. M. S. S. Co.

CHIYUEN Chinese str., 1,177, Chas. Stewart, 26th April.—Shanghai 22nd April, General.

—General.—Chinese.

CONNOISSEUR, British str., 2,187, Chas. E. Topp, 18th April.—Cardiff 2nd Feb., Coal.—Order.

DEUCALON, British str., 4,466, G. D. Keay, 3rd April.—Liverpool and Singapore 25th April, General.—Butterfield &amp; Swire.

EMIL LUYKEN, German str., 1,169, H. Martens, 24th April.—Pekalongan (Java) 16th April, Sugar.—Chinese.

ERN, German str., 963, Terpehn, 16th March, Germany 1st January, General.—Order.

FLORIDA, Norwegian str., 2,236, H. P. Hansen, 15th April.—Sasbo 10th April, Order.

HANOT, French str., 739, P. McVeeles, 29th April.—Hoiping 27th April and Hoihow 28th April, General.—A. R. Murly.

HERAKLES, Swedish str., 1,184, Grundelias, 29th April.—Gibraltar 24th Feb. and Sabang 20th April.—Master.

HOLSTEIN, German str., 985, Joh. Haase, 25th April.—Takao 23rd April, Coal.—Jeben &amp; Co.

HOLSTEN, British str., 2,376, John Burnett, 28th April.—Shanghai 25th April, General.

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